## THE HOUSEHOLD.

## THE LITTLT GIRL'S ROOM.

One of the most important things to teach a young girl is the care of her own room. With the exception of the weekly sweeping, usually dono hy the servant, she
cim be tanght to take the entire care of her own apartmient. First instruct her in tho art of. bod making (and I insist that good art of. bod making (ind Insist tiat good
bed making is an art, in many lomes a lost bed
Teach her that "clemnliness is noxt to Godliness" and that her own room, like horself, must be pure and swoet.
After dressing herself in the morning, she should open her windows, throw back the covers from the bed, or better still take them off ontirely-turn over the mattress and place the pillows in the window. After breakfast, whon her room has beon sufficiently aired, let her bogin to
make her bed by placing her mattress in make her bed by placing her matress in position ; next the have the wide hems at the top; then the blankets or comforts, as the case may be; then the counterpane which she must stretch tightiy. Now you
will havo her put on the bolster noxt with will have her put on the bolster next with
its daintily trimmed case; lastly the large its dainitily trimmed case; lastly the large
pillows with eases to correspond with pillows with eases to corrospond with
the bolster cuse ; or, instead, large square pillows with trimmed cases or pillow shans, that can be lowercd or raised
by means of tho sham-holder. If theso by means of the sham-holder. If these
rules aro observed, tho bed when made rull aro observed, tho bed whed when mado
will lainty, like the dear little girl herself.
Make is pretty neat basg for her to hold her casting cloth, from some of the pretty drawer place other dusters made of cheese cloth, or flour sicks hemued ä, very nice and last longer than the checso cloth. When she has donned her work apron and Whene she has shonned her work she will look quite like a lit-
swep sweeping cap she will look quite the impor-
tle matron. Impress upon her the in tle matron. Impress upon her the inpor-
tance of washing and wiping overy day hor bowl ant pitcher, soip dish, slop jar, otc.
Many children use combs and brushes regirdless of tho fact that they are leaving
them in in untidy condition for some ono else to tako care of. Too much importance camot be attached to theso apparently trivial details.
Another important adjumet to the towel drawor, is a supply of wash cloths. Threo or four is enough for each rooni. Cutit of turkish towolling, a quarter of a yard squaro
and button lole around with tidy cottun. Every week the soiled wash cloths and dusters should be put into the regular wash and receive the sime treat
auy other soiled articles would
any othor soiled articles would.
Children are exceedingly imitative, and if the defects aro pointed out ind tho right if the defcets aro pointed out ind tho rimht
methods shown them they soon fall into methods shown them they soon fall Mo-
the way of doing their, work well. Mon thers often say, "I don't cire to have my dituehter leann to work. I have worked
hard all my lifo, and I want her to have an casier time than I hive ever had.
Though she may have, when sho marries, sorvants at her command, yot would it not
be well for her to learn herself, so that be well for hel to learn herself, so
she may be able to command others? It requires as much brain work on the part of a woman to manage her home sucpurt of a womin to manage her home suc-
cessfully in ill its details as for a lawyor to untangle all the knotty points that arise in his profession or a merchant to keep the
rum of lis profits and losses. Yes, the housekceper is the pilot of a great ship, and nousekeeper is the pilot of a great ship, and
she must undorstand so thoroughly its workings that while at the helm she may guide it successsully into the harbor, peace
and contentment.-Ladics' Home Jounal.

## THE WUNDERKNAUL.

## a hint for christmas.

The translation of this rather formidable.looking word is, "wonder-ball." The thing itself is one of the many pretty conceits which have had belier birth in the
German brain. We believo that it has German been transplanted into western soil, never been transplanted into western soil,
and will give our readers a glinpse of it by talking them to an old, ivy-embowered cistle, whore, of an evening, a young
countess sits cliatting with her friends, countess sits olatting with her friends,
while her hands are occupied, as German hands so often are, in knitting a cotton stocking. The ball which she has in her lapp is much larger than usual, and presents
a surface as unequal as that of the moon,
with mysterious depressions and elovations and wonderful protrusions, and angles of degrees so unusual as would excite the curiosity of a geometrician. It is quite heavy, too, and you will notice that the seldom accorded to an ordinary ball of wool. It is a "wunderknaul," or "won-der-ball," presented to her perhaps at made by winding in with a skein of yarn a numbor of little packages, each wrapped in tissue-paper, which drop out, one after an other, as the
ball to needles.
Now comes a bit of Trench candy, which is nibbled at occasionally, and which sorves to shorten the way to a package
which, from the first, has oxcited curiosity Which, from the first, has oxcited curiosity by its angularity, and which has seemed to bo tho most disturbing elemont in the contour of the ball. It proves to bo a pair
of tiny embroidery scissors. After this there follows a long, desert stretch of knitting, with nothing to allure on the pilgrimage but a minage of what she is long ng for. At length a veritable oas ppears, in the shape of a fascinating lookng package tied with a pink string. It must bo something dainty ; and when the countess has at last knit up its imprisoning
cord, the packago is eagerly soized, and all present look on with great interest while its owner removes one wrapping after an other, in long succession, to find at the
heart only a yellow pen. But the joke is heart only a yellow pea. But the joke is
made cood when, half an hour after, a wee box drops out, containing a ring with a pearl in it.
By this time the hour of retiring has come, and the stocking, with its ball of rondorful possibilitios, is laid aside till the next evening, when a yard or so of thread ofe, fine as a spider's web, is the reward ollowed by a bit of blue satin ribbon for bow, and that by a gold pen.
Thus, as the work goes on, the treasures develop like the nuggets of gold in tho vein ovelop like the nuggets of gold in the vein
of mine, and the knitting Theseus, in slaying her monster of a stocking, is led through the labyrinth by the thread
which love has provided; and, while which love has provided a and while
following its windings, she is made happy by the suspicion that at its end will bo found the greatest treasure of all, like the pot of goll at the end of the rainbow. In the case of which we write, the ownery of the ball found tho end of her skin at-
tached to is box containing a long coveted watch.
The reader can imagino the interest with which each parcel is. watchecl, from the time one of its corners peeps out through the layers of yam to the time when, the layers having grown thinnor and thinnor, licyers last turn is given to the ball, and the mystery is loosed from its moorings.
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As wo have said, tho fortunate possessor
of tho ball we have been describing was a of tho ball we have been describing was a
countess, the wealth of whose fimily would countess, the wealth of whose fumily would
admit of valuablo presents ; but many a peasant knits through a "wunderkinaul" which develops less of intrinsic valia, bait
which is expressive of quite as much atfecwhich is expressive of
tion.-Mary Gordon.

## CHILDREN'S GAMEL:

beas bags.
Have a board about two or three feet ong with a hole in the centre the size of a breakfast plato. Place this slantingly ngainst a chair or ottoman. Have four or sx boan bags of two different sizes. Give distance of five paces or so, some one keeping account on paper. Those-if there are moro than ono-who throw the largest number of bags into the hole have a second turn. Then those who have the largest number in the second turn throw again,
until there are only two children left. Theso throw also, and the one who wins is These throw also, and the one who wins is
entitled to a prizo if you wish to have ono. entitled to a prizo ic yout wish to have ono.
An orange or a fancy calié is sufficient, just An orange or a fancy cake is sufticient, just
a little something to betoken the victor. Thistic something to betoken the
This also a good out-door game.

## donkey.

Draw, as you have ability, with a crayon, trilless donkicy throe feet long on a sheet. Pin this to the wall a little distance from the floor. Provide ench child with a tail at one colord tissue paper, twisted and fringed at one end, and a. pin for attaching pur-
poses at the other. Blindfold the clildren
from the sheet. Liet them turn around three times and, with one arin extended move forward in the direction they think the donkey is and pin the tail upon the first object they meet. Sometimes it is the sheet, sonnotimes a guest, and sometimes a piece of furniture. This makes it the more enjoyable. The one who pins prize.

## Hot and comb.

One goes out of the room. An article is hidden. The child returns and is guided in finding it by some one playing the pinnoloudly when he is near it, or "hot," softly when away, or "cold." The music sorves soarch.

## pointer.

All stand in a circle, with one in centre blindfolded with a pointer or came. The circle moves around until the leader tips the foor with his cane. Ho then extends It and the one to whom it points takes it in his hand. The leader asks him questions, and he must answer in a disguised voice. If the leader guesses his nami correctly, the other takos his place, if not, the leader tries until ho is correct.-Good Housekecping.

## A REMINDER.

## by charlotte w. kent.

I always remombered to darn my stockings because I made it a rule never to put them away until I had examined then and made whatever repairs were needed. If
any garment, on coming from the wash, required mending, I generally left it in some place where it did not belong, and where I would be sure to see it, until I found an opportunity to make tho nocessary repaiss it.
What I failed to remember was, what I may call the "incidental mending." noed of a button would be discoverod in a dress or some other garment at a time when to mend it immediately wats impossible. The article would be put away and the defect forgotten until recalled in some hurried moment, perhips by the
necessity of bringing tho garment into imniediate wear, in which case I was obliged to put it on in its defective condition,' o tilse time, which just then I could not sparo, to mend it.
Repoated instances of this kind soroly in not the silichtest dogree solved to trust no longer to unaided re collection, but to endeavor, instcad, to remind myself of what should bo done. Whenever I discoverod at inconvenient times nny deficiencies in graments I remembered that I was likely to forget them As a reminder of my duty in tho mattor, stuck a hair-pin on the pin-cushion which
hangs in my room. The effect wis magihangs in my room. The efrect wits magi mending" was never forgotten. It is sel dom now that a rent or rip exists in any of my garments, or that a button is missing
from any of them for a longor period than a few hours at most. It is impossible for me to forget that of which I ami constintly reminded.
Would not this plan of a remindor sorve to help, not in this matter alono but in others also, thnse whose memories, liko mine, may stand in need of
assistance.-Christiun at Woik.

## RECTPES.

Sponge CAkE.-One cupful of sugar and three
eggs, bent well, idd one cupful of flour and one toaspooful of baking powder; mix well and bake. Gramas Pudping.-Two cupfuls of graham
flour, ono cupful of molasses, one cunful of swect milk, ono cupprul of chopped raisins, two toaspoonfuls of sodal. Stenom threc hours.
SALMONSALAD.-To a can of salmon tako cight or ton staliks of colery; cut the celory into small
piecos nnd mix with tho salmon, which should
 sono good
if desired.
Coprex Carce-Ono cupful of sugnr, one cupmolnascs, one cupfui of strong coffec, one ege, onc teaspoonful of baking powder, ono toaspoonf1ul of
ground cloves, one trblespoonful of ground cloves, one tablesponful of ground cinrants, four cuptuls of sitted flour.
RAIsED Dovainuts. - In the morning take one
pint of warm milk, ono cup of sugar, one half cup

stand until morning. Than roll out, thin, out
round, and let stind on tho moulding board till round, and let stang on
night. Fry in hot lard. Sour Appae Sionr-Care.-Paroand stow sour
apples in $a$ vory littlo water until tendor then rint then througha siovo usc nosurar or theoring but sprear overa cako mado with ono quart powder, one tablespoonful of sugar, ono table.
spoonful of butter: kneaded soft and baked quickly. Sorvo with tho following sauce SAuCe FOR SHORT CAKE,--One pint and a hale spoonfuls of sugar, one tiablespoonful of vanilha. Let the milk come to a boil; then add the wollboaton egg-yolks, sugar, and vanilla.
Brown Thicrening for Sour.-This is easily prepared, is always ready, and will keep a long
fime, besides which. it gives a far richet favor
wian any othor why of usine four Chan any othor way of usiur flour thickening. whon hot smarin sauce it handian a pound of very dry
flour; stir this over tho fire till a pale brown laking grent caro it dong not burn. Ono largo
Dur who
Dingcate Pie-White of two eggs. four table-
spoonfuls of erem, one largo spoonful of flour one cupful of white sugar, onc cupful of cold wator: flavor with lemon. Jine in pio plate. with Tansigurin the mixturo and bake at once. Tannisimed Zinc.-'To one part of sulphuric
acid, add threo parts of water. Apply to tho zinc with a swab. If this does not ronove it re-
poat until it docs. Then using a brush scrub with weak lyo and dry witha soft, clean cloth. what it touches. A little lari left for a fow
moments upon zinc, then rubbed with a dry, soft
cloth until the greaso is cutively cloth until the grease is entirely absorbed, will
frequently remove discolorntions painted with white or lead-colored paint, a wash-
Ing with soap-suds or water in which $a$ spoonful of ammonia has boen dropped will prescreve its
pristine froshness at a nominal expense as hut pristine freshness at a nominal expense, as bu housewifo cam indulgo herscle with at least ono
bright spot in tho rom edhe edges of zinc fre-
quontly become demoralized and cut the shocs that recklessly come in contact with thom, sooncs
than the "ragged tooth of time", if a narrow
strin of tin be folded over the edges of tho zine, it
vill forationse thinough this binding and the cdgo of
the zine should be made for tho largest sizod
tacks to nail it to the floor.

PUZZLES.-NO. 25.
omittred question and angwis. The omitted rhymes givo tho nnswar; tho
I met a boonic chilld ono day
She smiled upon me as I pissod.

"Plogso tcll me, mh'mm ${ }^{*} * * * * * * * * *$ this?"
She asked. I thought it must bo curs' day. I motet so many tors, "hio saidi
"And havo you not a gelhool?" I asked. "Oh ycs," sho sidid. "I'm going
AndI shall sthat rery hatd
For Iso wish tho prize to win."
Now that was noar two months ago, When the line galo blew in Septombor. Sho gained the prizo eighteenth numerical.


My $6,1,3,12$, manimal.
Hope you havo had a good time.

I'm in body bone and blood.
I'm in body, bone and bloo
I'm in rivilet med flood.
Tm in cvery tree and nest.

In in water. air und land.
I'm in fanconswinn and wren
Im windowr-lind and den
I'm in window-blind and den
Im in curtail eut and curc.
Im in humble, carcul, pre.
Im in riot, macend wir


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What river in South America has the namo of What river in
race of peoplo?
What country in Europe has the namo of a
owl?
What sea in Eurono has the name of a color?
What gea in Europo has the name of a color?
What lake in tho North West Territory has the Whe of a big bitel?
What hake in Manitoon has tho nume of a biril?
What Capo in the United States has fio name What $\begin{aligned} & \text { ? } \\ & \text { New Orlcans. }\end{aligned}$.
ANSWERS TO PUZZLIES.-NUMBER 23. Hippes Worps, -Brush, owl awning, ravon,
apple, anvil, fory bug, laves. liger, plac, nap, Enicma,-Watch and pras.
Double Acrostic.-


Primals-Holland. Finals-Belgium Enigma-Afghnistim.
Geognarimical Puzafie, -Nogro, Turkoy, Black
ea, Bittern Lako, Eagbo Lako, Capo Cod, Vhiat City is it ?-Iiverpool.
ANSWERS TO PUZZLES.-NUMBER 24.
Seo Ephesians 6, 11, 14, 16, 17
PUZZLERS HEARD FROM.
Correct answers have beon sent to puzales No,
23 by Ernest $A$. Sheppard, and Hannah E. Greonc.

